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To whom it may concern:

We feel it is IMPERATIVE that the DOJ, if reaching a settlement with Microsoft, be very exacting in its definitions regarding the scope of restrictions and requirements regarding Microsoft API's, proprietary technologies and business practices.

The development of technologies will be severely hindered by continued predatory repression of diverse advancements in the Information Technologies arena.

Microsoft must be required to acknowledge their ubiquitous position and act accordingly, with little room for legal machinations that further narrows and hinders creativity and freedom.

Allowing one company to control the methods of access and of processing of information is certainly unwise.

We encourage the DOJ to act definitively and thoroughly in this case and/or settlement.

Thank you,
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